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### One at a Time.

One step at a time, and that well placed,
We reach the grandest height;
One stroke at a time, earth's hidden stores
Will slowly come to light;
One seed at a time, and the forest grows;
One drop at a time, and the river flows
Into the boundless sea.

One [illegible] at a time, and the greatest book
Is [illegible] and is read!
One [illegible] at a time, and the palace rears
[illegible] its stately head;
One [illegible] a time, the tree's cleft through
And a city will stand where a forest grew
A few short years before.

One foe at a time, and he subdued,
And the conflict will be won;
One grain at a time, and the sand of life
Will slowly all be run;
One minute, another, the hours;
One day at a time our lives speed by
Into eternity.

One grain of knowledge, and that well stored,
Another and more on them,
And as time rolls on your mind will shine
With many a garnered gem
Of thought and wisdom. And time will tell
"One thing at a time, and that done well,"
Is wisdom's proven rule.

—*Golden Days.*

### About the University of North Carolina.

President Battle, of the University of North Carolina, in his report to the Board of Trustees, dwells particularly upon the fact that the University is doing good service in educating the poor young men of the State. He states, "that there are now at the University more than one hundred youths with hands brown with toil; some cooking for themselves, others biring their own cooks, some on county appointment free of tuition, others going into debt for it, with threadbare clothes, in the coldest weather without great-coats, hovering over scanty fires, but with the flames of noble resolutions burning in their breasts." And as an illustration of their hardships and determined spirit in seeking a thorough and good education, he appends the letter of one who tells the story of his own experience, which we think worthy of copying:

The middle of November, 1869, found me an awkward farm boy of 19. I had worked on the farm since I was large enough to use a hoe, and I plowed a summer or two before I could lift the plow around at the end of the furrow, dragging it around. Till I was 17 I had only attended free schools a few months during the winter, sometimes walking as far as three and a-half miles through rain and snow. I was at last fortunate enough to be able to attend a good private school (at Table Rock) pretty regularly for nearly two years, working during the making of crops. Concluding that I was getting old faster than I was getting an education, I determined to go to the University and see what I could do. I intended, if I could do no better, to get work in the village during the day, study at night and recite to any of the professors who might be willing to help me in my studies. Having a cousin who was of the same mind as myself, except he had chosen to go to Trinity, we got some bread and meat for lunches, bundled up some clothes and set out to walk, late in the afternoon of Tuesday. We walked about ten miles, and slept on some planks in an unfinished school-house by the roadside. We could not afford to pay for lodgings, as my cousin had only three or four dollars, and I had about three. Next morning we passed through Lenoir, Caldwell county, and walked about thirty-five miles. At dark we were so tired and feeling in low spirits we tried to get a bed at some of the houses on the road, and were turned off again and again, till at last, about 9 o'clock, we were taken in and slept in a bed that night. The next day we passed Wilkesboro and went into Yadkin county. We found that the train which we intended taking at Winston left during the afternoon for Greensboro, and if we did not reach Winston Friday in time for it we could not reach our destination Saturday. This meant that we must walk most of Thursday night. About dark I gave out, from walking and carrying a heavy valise. We started a fire in the woods by the road and lay down in a pile of shavings, where shingles had been made, till about midnight. By that time my legs had quit aching and I felt well enough to go on. I think it was about 2 or 3 o'clock when we reached the depot at Winston, tired and foot-sore. We parted in Greensboro that night; my cousin went on the train for Trinity and I was left alone. I found a grove not far from the depot, scraped up some leaves and lay down with my valise for a pillow at the foot of a large oak. I did not sleep soundly; I felt the chill and heard the shrieks of the November wind even in my dreams.

Next morning I walked out of the town and found a little stream where I could wash my face. I was ashamed to be seen washing at any of the town pumps. My provisions being out, I bought two ham sandwiches for ten cents and had a feast preparatory to entering the University. I bought a ticket to Hillsboro and walked over to Chapel Hill, getting there about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. I had heard such great tales about students at Chapel Hill that I expected to be tarred and feathered as soon as I made my appearance. I walked in through the gate and up the walk towards the New East with my heart in my mouth. I saw a little negro picking up hickory-nuts and called to him to know where McCall's room was. [McC. being an old schoolmate, I wanted to find him as soon as possible for protection.] The little negro didn't stop to answer me, but ran away. I was surprised at not seeing a single student. I afterward found that they were all on the play-ground. I came across a college servant and he directed me to the room, and McCall came in just at that moment.

I had just thirty cents in my pocket, and this was all I had in the world, and I didn't know where the next was to come from. I was dressed in homespun jeans, a hickory shirt, no collar and an old flopped hat and home-made shoes. That night it got noised abroad there was a new student in college, and before I knew what was up the room was full and the passage outside. They yelled and sang, "Freshman, don't get weary; you're going to get a blacking by-and-by." They teased me and tried to get me to dance All were in a good humor, and I enjoyed it as much as anyone. That was the only Freshing I got except being whistled at a few times in passing groups of students. One boy in the crowd remarked, "Freshman, why don't you wear a collar?" The others hissed and shamed him.

Though I dressed very badly the first year, I never heard an allusion to it except on one occasion. A party of us were coming from Stroud's pond after having taken a bath, and a pupil, noted for his length of tongue and lack of brains, pointed to a scare-crow and said, "There is Randall's hat." He wore ragged flannel under-clothes, and so I turned the laugh on him by saying, "And there is ——'s shirt." A student at Chapel Hill is not obliged to dress above his means, and his fellow-students are so courteous and kind-hearted that he is never made to feel hurt or slighted on that account. McCall took me in the room with him, encouraged me and loaned me some money. Monday President Battle made me feel quite at home, and I felt as if he had been waiting for the opportunity of making me feel welcome. I knew the moment I saw his face that I would get sympathy and encouragement. I clubbed with three or four others that were living very cheaply, and from November till June we averaged about $5 per month for our board—sometimes a good deal less.

An uncle loaned me some money, and I got through till June, bought clothes and my ticket to Morganton. I worked on the farm till the latter part of August—then I walked to Winston again, took the train, rode to Hillsboro and walked over to the hill.

I got a county appointment, borrowed money of the Deems fund, managed a club, and at the beginning of my Soph. year was elected librarian of the Dialectic Society, it being the first year that the librarian got a salary. When I was elected to this place the opposition party was in power, and a man who belonged to their party wanted it. Members of his own party voted for me simply because they knew I needed the money and he didn't. The other man was a rising Senior, and, I know, more popular at the time than I was. I held the place three years till I graduated, through all the changes of power and party. I know it to be a fact that the party leaders and those elected to the offices were as a rule the boys of limited means, county students, &c. I believe that at least half of the students come at a great sacrifice, and one-fourth, I should judge, pay their own way, and with the help given by the county appointments and the aid of the Deems fund. I know from experience that any young man of sound mind and body, and energy and determination can get through the University. The faculty will not let a young man of the proper grit and industry be compelled to give up for the want of means.

The first overcoat I ever owned was a present given me by a member of the faculty in the winter of '80, and it lasted me till the winter of '84, and was as good as new then.

My hard lot had made me a disbeliever in divine love and justice. I had become a skeptic and was verging on to atheism, but the influence of the lives of members of the faculty saved me. I know that a great many persons try to prove that it is very dangerous to a young man's morals to send him to Chapel Hill. It has been the means of making me a Christian.

If a young man fails to get along at the University it is his own fault. It is not a rich man's college—it is the poor boy's college; and the State cannot spend money in any other way that will make such large returns.

I have found that the persons who know least about the University make the biggest fuss. The men who know her best love her most.

I owe to her and her faculty a debt of gratitude that, whatever I may be able to do, I can never repay.

W. G. RANDALL.

### The Life of a Convict.

*From the Washington Post.*

"The study of human nature," said Principal Keeper Patterson, of the state penitentiary at Trenton, N. J., to a reporter in the lobby of the National hotel, "inside prison walls is more interesting than pleasant. The class of human beings one comes in contact with is usually so depraved and hardened that it often times surprises even those accustomed to the life. We believe our system to be as good as any in existence, and yet we are not as severe in some ways as the people of the Eastern penitentiary."

"Are there not a number of criminals sent you who instead should go to asylums? Do you not have many cranky characters to contend with?"

"Well, we do in a certain sense. Criminals are, as a rule, one-sided characters; their moral character is, so to speak, lop-sided. But it is not the men who go into the prisons that are mentally unbalanced; it is those who come out. The fact is, the man who serves a five or even a three years' sentence out, is apt to leave the penitentiary unsound in mind, if not both body and mind. Imagine, for instance, the life they lead, day in and day out. To the mess room in the morning, where they cannot speak a word to any one; to the workshop for the day, where talking is strictly forbiden; to the mess room for supper, where the same order is enforced, and them to solitary confinement in their cells, where there is no one to talk to. Think of it. Such a life for years! is it not enough to drive a man insane? Why man alive you cannot realize it; but the percentage is simply frightful of those who go to jail strong in both mind and body and who come out wrecks in one or both."

### How to Get on in Society.

*From the Omaha World.*

Young Jinks: "So you are going to marry Miss Pretty the heiress?"

Young Winks: "Yes the day is set."

"Well, I couldn't see that she treated you any better than she did me, in fact, I was pretty sure her mother was opposed to both of us, and she intended to do as the old lady said."

"Did you try to make an impression on the mother?

"Didn't I though. Told her I thought her daughfer the prettiest girl I ever saw. What did you do?"

"Told the old lady any one might know Miss Pretty was her daughter."

A writer says that "kind words are never lost." How is it when your wife puts them in a letter and gives them to you to mail?

### SHE WAS NAMED WILLIAM.

**A Romantic Story of Loring Pasha and His Niece, May Nunez.**

*Correspondence of the New York Star.*

WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan 28.—The recent death in New York of General William Loring, the gallant old soldier who had spent a life time in war's alarms and obtained the title of pasha during his service in Egypt under the Khedive, recalls a pretty bit of romance in the fact that he left a lovely namesake behind him. This is the beautiful wife of ex-Senator George E. Spencer, of Alabama. Her maiden name was May Nunez, but there is a charming little romance lurking behind the "May." She gave her hand to the Senator from Alabama in 1877 at the church of St. Bernard, in Washington, where he placed a $3,000 diamond ring on her finger. Then they left for Deadwood, where he has large mining interests to watch, and where the lady has developed in recent years into a strikingly strong novelist of frontier character.

But that story about her being of unmixed Portugue e pedigree is all wrong. Her mother came of good old North Carolina stock. Her maiden name was Loring, and the romance begins when we change this name to Nunez. The brothers of Mrs. Nunez were both conspicuous figures in the Old North State in their time. Thomas, the eldest, was founder of the Wilmington *Herald* seventy years ago, and died, after a busy and useful career, shortly after the war. The youngest brother, William, and his sister's favorite, was a cavalier of the old regime, happiest in the midst of danger, excessively fond of the ladies in general and of his sister in particular. On one of his trips to visit his friends in North Carolina Mr. Nunez, a Portugese by birth, met and won this admirable Miss Loring, and carried her away in triumph to set off the beauty of his orange groves in Florida, where he had large possessions and ducats galore.

This was about the time the Mexican war broke out. Wm. Loring, the brother to whom the young bride was so much attached, caught the Montezuman fever and enlisted. Whatever hardships he had to encounter were mitigated by the sister's promise that the first child should be named for him. Alas! man proposes, but much to his disappointment, the child was one of the kind that "dosn't count," as Mr. Dombey remarked of Florence.

Uncle William recovered from the shock and fought ahead under hope. There were soon symptoms that the cherished wish of his heart was finally to be gratified, and under this cheerful impression he fought so gallantly at the storming of Monterey that they pinned a major's epaulettes to his shoulders. After all this glorious effort to leave a name which any youngster might feel proud to bear, you can imagine the major's shock of disgust when he heard that number two was also a girl. All this had a tendency to shake the man's faith in the equities of creation.

The major made up his mind that he could not afford to keep on marching into the cannon's mouth all his life on probabilities, and so held his sister to her promise, that "the next one should be named for him." And named it was. Twenty-five years later, when the minister called her "May" at the altar, as she bestowed her hand on George Spencer, she corrected him with the remark that she had been christened "William Loring."

"May," then, was simply short for Major, as William or Bill would have been altogether de trop. Out of regard to the youngster's beauty, the fond old warrior grew to idolize his namesake, and as she developed into dashing and lovable girlhood he made her his special companion and protege. He not only superintended her education, but took her on long rambles the Orient and, his particular weakness, the Holy Land, which he loved for its stirring memories of the crusades. He acted, indeed, as if she did count, despite the little disappointment of some years back.

Another niece of the General's married a gentleman named Moran, and, during the years '65, '66 and '67 they ran quite a tony boarding house in Clinton place, New York, which became a favorite resort for Virginia and North Carolina families who visited that city. It was there that the two Nunez sisters (the eldest of whom later married a Mr. Reed, and Senator Spencer's present wife) made themselves invaluable as dazzling entertainers. The sisters rendered duets with great power and sweetness—the elder singing a stromg, clear contralto to the "Major's" soprano. And Miss May, through travel and study, was accomplished in numerous ways.

Take a tall, graceful figure, handsome manners, lovely brunette features and a wealth of glorious black hair, and add to these a ready command of Spanish, French and Portugese, and you have "a combination and a form indeed." They do say that a number of the visitors were willing captives to the powerful array of blandishments. Among her most ardent admirers at that time was Mr. A. M. Keiley, of Richmond, Va., who has since figured prominently in diplomatic disputes. This is the same gentleman who was objected to as minister of the United States by both Austria and Italy, but who finally reached a haven of rest in the international court at Cairo. Mr. Keiley later married Miss Davis, a wealthy Hebrew belle of Petersburg, and became mayor of Richmond, but they do say that he had a very bad attack of Miss May.

After the war had wrecked her father's splendid fortune in Florida he came North and secured a humble berth in the New York post office, which was transferred later to the gifted daughter. She had a decided taste for dramatics, and it was while playing Lady Gay Spanker at some social entertainment that her talents captured Augustin Dalay. He made her an offer which she accepted, playing parts with Sara Jewett and Fanny Davenport till she met her destiny in the Senator from Alabama.

### Tar Smoke for Diptheria.

A New York physician declares that tar smoke is the best thing in the world for diptheria. It dissolves the fibrous exudations that choke the patient and gives relief almost instantly. The plan has been tried by many doctors in New York and found most efficacious. It consists in closing up a room so that none of the smoke can escape, and then burning a quantity of pitch on a red hot shovel or stove.

The time when the cold water party largely predominated—During the flood.

### A NEW RESURRECTION.

**The Alleged Discovery of a Blasphemous Fraud about to be Perpetrated by the Mormons.**

CHICAGO, January 30.—A special dispatch from Lincoln, Nebraska, says: Two miles south of this city stands a palatial residence owned by an English gentleman, long identified with the Mormon Church. The residence has been untenanted for the last two years save by an old servant named White, who at one time was connected with the Jezrels, of London, a sect similar to the Mormons. White claims he was defrauded by them out of his property, and latterly became converted to the Mormon faith. He was considered a trustworthy man and was therefore partially through necessity taken into the confidence of the leaders of the Mormon Church of Zion, which, according to his statements, is about to perpetrate a fraud to which he is unwilling to become a party. He says:

"Two months ago there arrived at the mansion an old gentleman having letters from my master in London, the purport of which was to obey his every wish and to keep his presence a secret to all except those to whom he saw fit to reveal himself. Within a week persons began to arrive at the house in twos and threes. They were from Salt Lake City, and held long whispered consultations with my mysterious guest. At first I did not care who or what he was. Little by little I gathered from stray remarks that he was a person of note, and soon after the truth burst upon me that he was none other than Brigham Young, the great prophet of our church, who is to apparently be resurrected from the dead and preach to the people of Zion as one having returned from the grave to tell what lies beyond. That his death and burial were a deception will soon be seen by the whole world, while thousands of his ignorant believers bow at his feet and he dictates to them their way of life. My guests or visitors are men of high standing, as their appearance indicates, and it was in conversation with one of them, who supposed from the way I talked that I knew, that all my suspicions were verified. My informant said that Brigham Young had risen from the grave in Salt Lake City and was instructing his deciples here in order to prepare the people for the great event of his coming. My only reason for telling these facts is that I am an old man, with but little to gain in this world, and I do not want to see people deluded as I have been. The Jezrels absorbed my competence, and now the Mormons have broken my faith."

The old man told the story with a sincerity that warranted further investigation, and a merchant who formerly did business in Salt Lake City drove out to the mansion yesterday and rapped at the door. Receiving no response he started around the house to apply at the rear when through a bay window he saw the form and features of an old man who was sitting inside. As he was unaware of his presence, the merchant approached to within a few feet of the window, scanning the old man's face closely and stepping back immediately pronounced the man to be Brigham Young, whose marked features he had often studied in Salt Lake City, and which once seen, he says, can never be forgotten. For a few minutes the man sat silent and then raised his hand to his brow, revealing a scar about the wrist that still further establishes his identity. It is a well known fact that the elders of the Mormon Church throughout Utah and Arizona have of late been preaching the return of the prophet. This, together with the fact that it was claimed by a St. Louis man some months ago that Young was seen and recognized in London, that a number of prominent Mormons from Salt Lake City have lately been upon the streets of Lincoln, that important legislation is about to be enacted to the detriment of the Mormon Church, and the vail of mystery with which the prophet's death has always been shrouded, makes it almost certain that the Mormon banners throughout Utah will soon be unfurled announcing that "He is risen!"

### The Cruiser Which is to Revolutionize Naval Warfare.

*Special to the New York World.*

WASHINGTON, Jan. 30.—The Navy Department will complete early in this week the drawing of a contract with the Pneumatic Dynamite Gun Company, of New York, for the construction of a dynamite steel cruiser, to be completed by June 1. If this vessel is all that is claimed for it then the harbor of New York will be safe from any foreign fleet. The work on this vessel will be hastened on account of possible complications between this country and England. Congress authorized the construction of this vessel last year, but very little has been said about it, and the fact that the department has completed the arrangements for its building is not generally known.

This vessel is to carry three dynamite guns, each capable of throwing with accuracy 200 pounds of dynamite a distance of one mile. The contract provides that each gun shall be capable of being discharged once in two minutes. These are to be guns of ten and one-half-inch calibre. The company has promised to make them twelve inches. If the guns are made of that capacity they will be capable of throwing 400 pounds of dynamite, which would be sufficient to blow up the largest vessel known to any modern navy. The contract specifies that the vessel shall have a capacity of twenty knots an hour, which means twenty-three miles of speed. There are very few vessels of great capacity capable of making any such speed. None of the heavy armed vessels of modern times will be capable of running away from this new cruiser. She is to be 220 feet long, 26 feet breadth of beam, with 7½ feet draught and 3,200 horse-power.

### Why the Old Lady was Happy

*From the Chicago Tribune.*

An old lady of New Hampshire who recently celebrated her eightieth birthday by giving an elaborate supper at which every article, including the cheese and butter, was made with her own hands, thus explained the secret of her vigor and health: "I never fret over things I cannot help; I take a nap, and sometimes two, every day of my life; I never take my work to bed with me, and I oil the many wheels of my busy life by an implicit faith that there is a brain and a heart to this great universe, and that I can trust them both."

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# OBSERVER.

G. H. HAIGH, Editor and Proprietor.

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C.

THURSDAY.....FEBRUARY 10, 1887.


### *CHATHAM COAL FIELDS.*

Within the past month much enquiry has been made in regard to the value and deposits of coal in the Egypt and other mines—resulting in the lease of one to Col. A. F. Leptwitch, President of the Greensboro Gas Works, by the Hon. D. F. Caldwell, of Greensboro. Since then we are informed that negotiations were pending for the sale of the Egypt mine, in fact, it is rumored that the sale has been effected, and that preparations will soon be made to reopen this valuable mine. This is good news to us. The building of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley R. R., or then, as it was called, the Western Railroad, was projected solely to reach this vast mineral deposit, from this it expected to reap its earnings, but this line was too short to be of material benefit, Fayetteville was its only market, and altho' at the time many cotton manufacturers were in active operation in and near this place, they had no need of coal, as our water power was more than amply sufficient for their purposes, but from 1861 to 1865, large quantities of this coal were used at the Confederate Arsenal in this town and in other places, since then, the mine has not been worked, and it has been suffered to fill with water.

The great difficulty has been a market. The extension of the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad, connected now (by the change of guage) with the Wilmington & Weldon at Fayetteville, and the Carolina Central and Augusta Air Line, at Maxton and Sandford, and with the Richmond & Danville at Greensboro, opens a wide field, and the only question that requires an affirmative answer is: The value of the coal, its quantity and quality.

These questions, we think, are satisfactorily answered by Dr. H. M. Chance in his report to the Department of Agriculture. He says these coals are the equal of many that are largely mined in the Northern and Western States, and he estimates the quantity in this section, in the area most promising, and in which the existence of workable coal is proven, at 14,040,000 tons. But he says to make the matter safe, put it at one-fourth the amount, then will there be 3,500,000 tons, a sufficient amount to sustain a daily output of 500 tons for twenty years. Surely this is encouraging. Dr. Chance is a gentleman of great scientific skill and reputation, and his survey was made at the instance of the State Agricultural Department for the benefit of the State at large, and not by private parties for pecuniary profit, and is therefore entitled to much weight,

The difference of spirit in our State *now* from twenty years ago is marked. Manufacturies are more abundant, new enterprises are daily springing up, and the opening of this mine will give a renewed impetus to the manufacturing industries—for it can be furnished at Wilmington, Raleigh, Greensboro, Charlotte, Durham, and in all our own towns at much cheaper rates than the Tennessee coal can be transported.

The working up of this mine will be of immense benefit to the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad and to our town, for it will largely increase the freight of the former, and we believe, be the means of starting new industries in our growing town.

### *T. H. SUTTON.*

The constituents of our representative Thos. H. Sutton, may pride themselves on having a man who, from the first day he entered the chamber of the House has been indefatigable in serving them—his earnest work for the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad, his manly defence for the present county government, his clear, logical speech against the Railroad Commission bill, and the struggle that he has made for the Mechanics' Lien Law bill, and a host of other matters, proves that he is doing his full duty. We commend also, his vote in the contest from Craven.

We regret that we have not space to-day to publish Mr. Sutton's speech on the Railroad Commission bill. We will do so next week.

### *COUNTY GOVERNMENT BILL.*

This bill, designed to overthrow the present systen of county government, met with defeat on its third reading in the House on Thursday last. The vote was too close for comfort, but Speaker Webster (ind.) decided its fate, and he is entitled to our thanks. We had hoped that this would give a quietus to it, but on Friday, Mr. Chandler (see Legislative proceedings) claimed that he had voted in opposition thereto, and his vote was ordered to be recorded, which broke the tie. It will again be taken up to-day, and we hope that it will meet its deserved fate. There is, however, one consolation—the Senate will give it a death blow.

WORTH AND HOLT—TWO GOOD AND TRUE DEMOCRATS.—It gives the OBSERVER pleasure to print and endorse the following from the Raleigh correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch*, for there are no better men than the two mentioned. They are always honest, straightforward and fair—true representative men of the Democratic party. The writer says:

While the Democrats are always charged by the Republicans with unfairness and seeking to thwart the people's will, it is interesting to note the fact that when matters come up which make the Legislature so to speak, a jury, the Democrats invariably drop politics and vote according to their convictions. Such men as John M. Worth and Thomas M. Holt, two of the leaders of thought and action in the House, are exemplars of this idea.

### *DEATH OF JUDGE ASHE.*

Hon. Thomas S. Ashe, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of N. C., died at his home in Wadesboro on Friday last. The announcement will cause no surprise, as he had been fast failing in health for several weeks. He was a pure, good man, universally esteemed by all who knew him. Judge Ashe was remarkable for his mental and physical ability, but the arduous duties of his office as a member of the Supreme Court, were too much for one so far advanced in life. His death was hastened by the endeavor to perform the duties incumbent upon him. In public and private life his relations with his fellow-men were high-toned and honorable. Pure and spotless in character, he has adorned the position in which the people of the State had placed him.

The State, the Court, his county and all with whom he was connected, will bow in solemn lament at the death of a judge so pure, a citizen so useful, and friend so kind. He was a noble man. Peace to his ashes.

Should Abbot, of New Jersey, be elected United States Senator, then, if Riddleberger acts with the Democrats, as he is likely to do, the Democrats will be able to tie the United States Senate.

The Legislature of Indiana has elected David Turpie (dem.) to succeed Harrison as U. S. Senator.

WHAT THE PEOPLE PAY FOR MAKING LAWS.—The Raleigh correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch* thus sums up the cost of an ill spent day in the Legislature:

There are 170 members of the Legislature, and they are paid $4 a day. There are about thirty attaches, clerks, doorkeepers, &c. The expenses each day, including fuel and lights, are fully $1,000; so that a day's wrangle over a resolution of instruction to Congress is a rather costly business, as is likewise the consumption of an entire day in settling the question of the right to a seat from Craven county, as was the case yesterday.

Legislators, remember that the eyes of the people are upon you, and they will call you to aecount.

### STATE NEWS.

A part of the Salvation Army is in Wilmington.

A cavalry troop has been organized at Asheville.

The Supreme Court of North Carolina met on Monday.

Prof. Willoughby Reade, elocutionist and reader, is dead.

The Wilson cotton factory has received a $90,000 order for yarns.

Wilmington will now have a $200,000 public building—the President has approved the bill.

Rich specimens of silver ore have been found in Hickory Mountain township, Chatham county.

The bill to exempt manufactures from taxation for five years was defeated in the Senate by a decided vote.

"Hon. John Goode, of Virginia, will deliver the Annual Address at the University commencement in June next."

The cars are running within five miles of Walnut Cove, and that place is said to be on a boom.—*Danbury Reporter and Post.*

Rev. P. R. Law of Monroe will succeed the Rev. Calvin H. Wiley as North Carolina agent of the American Bible Society.

The Winston *Progressive Farmer* reports that in one day Messrs. Vaughn & Pepper, of that place, shipped north 1,038 dozens of rabbit skins.

Durham *Recorder:* For a while, W. Duke, Sons & Co. will work half time. The agitation of the tobacco tax question always hurts trade in Durham.

*Methodist Advance:* Blackbirds are p'entiful in North Carolina. One flock three miles long and a hundred feet wide recently winged their way southward.

The Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railroad will build at an early date a depot at Greensboro 140 feet long, 56 feet wide and two stories high.

The North Carolina Board of Pharmacy will meet in Raleigh on Wednesday Feby. 22nd, for the purpose of examining such candidates as desire to practice Pharmacy.

Durham *Recorder:* We learn from a trustworthy source that Walter Bingham, the murderer of Miss Turlington, has returned to his old home in Alamance county.

Robt. L. Uzzell, of Kinston, has been recently appointed Professor of French at the University of North Carolina, to fill the position made vacant by Prof. Toy.

Mr. Julius A. Bonitz of Goldsboro has been appointed Aid-de-Campe with the rank of colonel on the staff of Maj. Jas. R. Carnahan, commander of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias.

A very distinct shock of earthquake was felt here Tuesday night. From reports there must have been two shocks—one about 10 p. m. Tuesday, and another about 4 o'clock Wednesday morning.—*Anson Times.*

TOBACCO DOTS.—The Blackwell Tobacco Company, of Durham, N. C., have recently put in a fine new Corliss engine in their large works, and W. Dukes, Sons & Co., also of Durham N. C., are adding to their capacity by new machinery.

The *North State* says that Greensboro is aroused. At a public meeting held to take steps to provide the ways and means of improving their streets and side-walks, and provide for water works, school houses &c. A committee was appointed to frame a bill to procure from the legislature such power as will allow the corporation to incur a bonded debt of $100,000.

Tarboro *Southerner:* Mr. George K. Moore, who superintended the farm of the late Lafayette Staton, made with eleven plows, on two hundred acres of land one hundred and eighty-five bales of cotton; with these plows were raised six hundred bushels of peanuts, eight hundred barrels of corn, one thousand bushels of potatoes, seventy-five bushels of wheat, five tons of hay. Mr. Bullock killed nine thousand pounds of pork.

Statesville *Landmark:* Mr. Jno. A. Dickson, Secretrary and Treasurer of the Western North Carolina Insane Asylum, last week turned back into the State Treasury $10,000, the balance of the appropriation for construction; also $596.19, balance of the appropriation for furnishing the institution. These amounts, together with $14,500 left from the appropriation for extra support and maintenance, make the nice little saving of $25,096.19 out of the appropriations made for the Western Asylum by the Legislature two years ago.

### THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

#### SENATE.

RALEIGH, Jan. 31.—The following bills were introduced:

To amend the charter of the Onslow & East Carolina R. R. Co.

To amend section 3,257 of the Code concerning the State Guard.

To amend chapter 178, laws of 1885. (This is an important bill, as it effects the insurance law.)

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following bills were introduced:

To provide for the payment of school taxes into the public treasury.

To allow detectives while on duty to carry concealed weapons.

To incorporate the Murphy & Tennessee R. R. Co.

To regulate the hours of labor for women and children employed in factories.

To define lobbying and make it a felony.

To prohibit attorneys of railways from acting as members of the legislature.

To regulate the employment of labor.

To increase the jurisdiction of justices of the peace in larceny cases

Bill to provide for draining of public land constructing a public road in Onslow, Jones and Lenoir counties, was tabled.

Bill to allow the county of Onslow to levy a special tax to build a jail passed its second reading.

Bill to repeal stock law for Chatham county and leave the matter to a vote of the people; passed its second and third readings.

#### SENATE.

Feb. 1.—In Senate bills introduced to authorize State board of education to complete canals and roads in swamp lands; to require magistrates to give bonds for faithful performance of duties; bill to extend time for completion of Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway passed second and third reading, vote being 30 to 17.

#### HOUSE.

D. D. Caffey, member from Caldwell, was sworn in. Memorial was presented from farmers' State convention asking for re-organization of department of agriculture; bill was favorably reported for draining of swamp lands in eastern counties. Bills introduced were chiefly: To abolish county board education; to reduce rate of taxation to 20 cts.; to increase school tax from 12½ to 16⅔ on property and from 37½ to 50 on poll; to secure proper assessment of mineral lands; to establish county of Clingman; bill to repeal Wake stock law passed third reading; there was a long and warm discussion of special order—Ewart's bill creating railway commission. It provides for three commissioners to be appointed by Governor on consent of Senate. Amendments were offered to leave selection of commissioners to people and to legislature. Speeches made by Mr. Ewart, Pritchard and Leazar in favor of bill, and by Sharp in opposition. Pending debate, House adjourned.

#### SENATE.

Feb. 2.—A majority and minority report was made from select committee on the establishment of a bureau of labor statistics.

The following were introduced:

To incorporate Southport Terminal Co.

To reduce fees on impounded stock.

To amend section 2,036, chapter 50 of the Code.

To amend section 694 chapter 50 of Code.

To regulate special proceedings.

To protect labor.

To amend section 1,967 of Code, relating to freight on railroads.

#### SPECIAL ORDER.

Bill to amend constitution so that new industries may be exempt from taxation for five years, to be submitted to the people. Lost, ayes 15, nays 25.

Bill allowing officers whose bonds have been refused by the Board of County Commissioners to appeal to Superior Court, tabled.

#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Sutton, of the judiciary committee, reported the bill to establish a bureau of labor statistics, with the amendment that the expenses of the same be paid out of the fund appropriated to the agricultural department, instead of the general fund.

#### BILLS.

To amend the public law (submitted by the committee as a substitute for all bills offered). It was ordered printed.

To amend the revenue act of 1885, by making it punishable by a fine of $25 for neglect by a drummer to show his license before selling goods.

To give physicians the benefit of the lien law.

To abolish county boards of education.

To establish a normal school at Long Creek, Pender county.

To regulate and control the sale of spiritous, vinous and malt liquors.

To amend the Code in regard to the stock law.

#### THE RAILWAY COMMISSION BILL.

This bill was taken up. A very large number of petitions were presented, from business men of Laurinburg, Maxton, Durham, Weldon, Wilson, Monroe, Enfield and other towns, asking the passage of the bill as the only tangible relief against the oppressions of the railways.

Mr. Parsons offered an amendment to the bill, reducing the salaries of the commissioners from $2,500 to $2,000.

Mr. Williamson attacked the bill.

Mr. Overman supported the bill; Mr. York antagonized it. Mr. Prichard said he was not opposed to the principles of the bill but he wished his amendment, leaving the selection of the commissioners to the people, to be adopted.

Mr. Sutton took ground against the bill, as did also Mr. Fries.

Mr. Ewarts spoke in advance of the bill (of which he is the author.").

Dr. Worth spoke briefly in favor of the bill.

Mr. Fries made a motion to table. The vote on the motion to table was 28 to 75, so it did not prevail.

Mr. Pearson moved that the bill be considered by sections. This was voted down.

The House adjourned.

Feb. 3.—In the Senate the only bill of interest introduced was to incorporate the Statesville and Western Railway Company. All of the session was consumed in a debate on a bill to create a bureau of labor statistics. It was finally by a strict party vote—25 to 15—referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

The following were the principle bills introduced in the House:

To establish the county of King.

To establish the county of Richland.

To establish the North Carolina College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts.

To allow the South Atlantic and North Western Railroad five hundred convicts at $125 each per year.

To incorporate Salem, Winston and Dan River R. R. Co.

The House took up on second reading the bill to create a railway commission. After scattering debate Ewart called previous question.

The House voted down 38 to 69 Prichard's amendment to leave the selection of commissioners to the people and then voted on the bill. The vote was amended—56 ayes, 55 nays.

The House next took up on third reading the bill to repeal county government. The vote was quickly taken. Previous question having been demanded, the result was a tie—55 to 55.

Speaker Webster voted against the bill, so it was defeated. Republicans were violently incensed.

York said he was told by outsiders that an error had been made in the count of the vote on the county government bill. The vote was read over and it was discovered that there was an error, and that the right count was 56 to 56. Speaker Webster had had his name called as member from Rockingham when the vote was first taken. As soon as the tie was announced he voted as Speaker and broke it.

York appealed to the House against the Speaker's right to thus vote, but the House sustained the Speaker. There are varying wiews as to Webster's right to vote as a member and Speaker. The matter will come up again to-morrow.

The railroad commission bill on third reading was made the special order for next Wednesday.

#### SENATE.

Feb. 4.—A bill was introduced amending the constitution so as to elect members of the legislature every four years, etc.

To incorporate the Wilmington Street Railroad;

To change the name of the Wilmington and Carolina Railroad;

To incorporate the Henderson Water Works Company;

To amend the charter of the Atlantic and Western Railroad;

To amend the charter of the Statesville Air Line road.

The following bills passed their third reading:

To allow County Commissioners of McDowell county to settle their county debt.

To incorporate the Biddle Institution.

The bill to provide appropriation for the agricultural department was taken up. Pending the amendment limiting the expenses to $20,000 a year after much discussion the previous question was lost. A motion to refer was lost; ayes 18, nays 20. The pending amendment was then adopted, ayes 25, nays 13. The amendment of Mr. Mason, of Orange, to abolish the department was lost; ayes 1, nays 38. The bill then passed the second reading by a vote of ayes 25, nays 12.

#### HOUSE.

Mr. Candler claimed that he voted against tabling the county government bill, yesterday, and his vote was so recorded.

The speaker announced that this broke the tie and the bill would come up again, Mr. York moved to expunge the second vote of the Speaker.

[Webster, the Speaker, voted as a representative from Rockingham county, and when the tie was announced, voted again as Speaker.]

Leazar took the chair and ruled the motion out of order. York offered a resolution covering the matter. Referred to the judiciary committeee.

Webster took the chair and made an explanation of his vote yesterday, claiming authority on his side, and would so act unless ruled otherwise.

The county government bill was again taken up and made the special order of next Thursday.

Mr. Pearson gave notice that he would move to reconsider the railroad commission bill.

The following bills passed second and third readings:

To incorporate the North Carolina steel and iron company.

To allow the Carolina Central Railroad Company to exchange stock for bonds.

To extend the time for the completion of the Roanoke railroad.

The bill to enhance the value of the State's stock in the Atlantic & North Carolina railroad, etc., was made the special order for next Tuesday.

The death of Judge Thos. S. Ashe was announced, when the House adjourned, out of respect to his memory.

Feb. 5.—Houses passed the bill changing the name of the town of Company Shops to Burlington.

York for the committee on privileges and elections, reported that the committee had investigated the contested election case of Brim against Franklin from Surry county and that Franklin sitting member is entitled to his seat. The report was unanimously adopted. This is the last of the contested cases in the House.

Fries offered resolutions which was adopted, raising a special committee to examine all acts allowing convicts to corporations and to also report upon the best means of employing such convicts as cannot be taken out of the penitentiary.

Bills were introduced as follows:

To create a board of pardons.

To provide for the study of physiology and hygiene in the public improvements of the State.

To define felonies and misdemeanors.

A bill passed to incorporate the Durham and Northern Railroad, which is to extend from Durham to Franklinton.

The school bill was made a special order for next Friday.

The bill to repeal the stock law for Vance county was taken up and finally referred to committee on propositions and grievances with instructions to incorporate in omnibus bill on that subject.


**Saved His Life.**

Mr. D. I. Wilcoxson, of Horse Cave, Ky., says he was, for many years, badly afflicted with Phthisic, also Diabetes; the pains were almost unendurable and would sometimes almost throw him into convulsions. He tried Electric Bitters and got relief from first bottle and after taking six bottles, was entirely cured, and had gained in flesh eighteen pounds. Says he positively believes he would have died, had it not been for the relief afforded by Electric Bitters. Sold at fifty cents a bottle by B. E. Sedberry.

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It is free from an opiate or any other remedy that will have a stupefying effect. Rheumatic sufferers who have taken it are our best endorsers, as the following testimonials will speak for themselves:

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Messrs. Pemberton & Prior:

Gents—Sufferers from Rheumatism will find Prior's Rheumatic Remedy an excellent one. Having suffered myself, and tested its virtues, I know whereof I speak.

Respectfully,

A. OVERBAUGH.

Fayetteville, N. C., Oct. 11, 1886.

**Relieved in 24 Hours.**

Messrs. Pemberton & Prior:

Dear Sirs—Gladly do I bear testimony to the merits of Prior's Rheumatic Remedy. I was entirely relieved from an acute attack of Rheumatism in 24 hours. Its effect was wonderful. Yours Truly,

CHAS. H. CALAIS.

Fayetteville, N. C., Oct. 16, 1886.

**Relief in 24 Hours.**

Messrs. Pemberton & Prior:

My Dear Sirs—I commenced the use of Prior's Rheumatic Remedy on Saturday last, and was greatly benefited in 24 hours, and am now ever so much better. You have my hearty endorsement, and I sincerely hope all who may use it will derive as great relief as I have. Please send me another bottle and oblige,

Yours Truly,

A. S. HUSKE.

Fayetteville, N. C., Jan. 18, 1887.

**Found Very Efficacious.**

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Sirs—I cheerfully bear testimony to the beneficial effects of Prior's Rheumatic Remedy. A great sufferer from Rheumatism, I have found it very efficacious in my own case—as much so as two proprietary remedies of a wide reputation: Hyatt's Infallible Life Balsam and Phelp's Rheumatic Elixir.

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Respectfully,

D. J. GODWIN.

Rhodes' Mill, N. C., Oct. 7, 1886.

**Unable to Walk.**

Messrs. Pemberton & Prior:

Dear Sirs—One small bottle of Prior's Rheumatic Remedy, cured me from an attack of Rheumatism, from which I suffered to such an extent that I was unable to walk.

JAMES EVANS.

Idaho, N. C., Oct. 12, 1886.

LOOK OUT FOR NEW TESTIMONIALS NEXT WEEK.

Pemberton & Prior, Sole Manf's,

feb 10-tf Kyle's Corner, Fayetteville, N. C.


## Exhibit of the Debt of Fayetteville. N. C., to January 1st, 1887.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 306 F. & F. Bonds, $100 each, comp'd | | $15,300 00 |
| 139 W. R. R. " 500 " " | | 34,750 00 |
| Matured coupons attached | $15,156 75 | |
| " " detached | 7,034 00 | |
| | | 22,190 75 |
| | | 10,790 81 |
| 186 8 per cent. Bonds due July 1, 1880 | | |
| Interest on same to January 1, 1887 | | 4,661 79 |
| 4 Judgments payable m full | 6,166 00 | |
| Interest on same to Jan. 1, 1887 | $4,069 80 | |
| Court costs on same | 39 20 | |
| | 4,109 00 | |
| | | 10,275 00 |
| 11 Judgments comp'd at 50 per cent | 4,606 25 | |
| Interest on same to Jan. 1, 1887 | 2,079 51 | |
| Court costs on same | 73 70 | |
| | 2,153 21 | |
| | | 6,759 46 |
| Compromised Town Scrip | | 226 69 |
| " Fay. & Flor. Note | | 500 00 |
| | | $105,454 50 |

CONTRA.

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|---|---|---|
| Paid by Treasurer—coupons | $17,524 00 | |
| " " " —judgments | 4,867 42 | |
| " " " —bonds | 2,647 12 | |
| " " " —F. & F. note | 500 00 | |
| " " " —Town scrip | 222 69 | |
| | $25,761 23 | |
| Due Jan. 1st, 1887, including Feb'y coupons on 306 Fay. & Flor. Bonds | 79,694 27 | |
| | | $105,454 50 |

**Debt due January 1st, 1887, consists of the following items:**

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| Coupons matured to February 1st, 1887 | $22,190 75 | |
| Less coupons paid to date | 17,524 00 | |
| | | $ 4,666 75 |
| F. & F. & W. R. R. Bonds | | 50,050 00 |
| 8 per cent. bonds and matured interest | $15,452 60 | |
| Less amount paid on Bonds | 2,647 12 | |
| | | 12,805 48 |
| Town scrip | $226 69 | |
| Less amount paid on scrip | 222 69 | |
| | | 4 00 |
| Judgments | 17,034 46 | |
| Less amount paid on Judgments | 4,867 42 | |
| | | 12,167 04 |
| | | $79,693 27 |

INTEREST-BEARING DEBT.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 306 Fayetteville & Florence Bonds | | $15,300 00 |
| 139 Western Railroad Bonds | | 34,750 00 |
| 158 Eight per cent. Bonds, due July 1st, 1880 | | 9,169 48 |
| 4 Judgments payable in full | $6,166 00 | |
| 10 Judgments compromised at 50 per cent. | 3,301 63 | |
| | 9,467 63 | |
| | $68,687 11 | |

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|---|---|---|
| Total receipts by Treasurer | | $34,791 22 |
| Paid on old debt, judgments, interest and coupons | $25,761 23 | |
| Paid for current expenses, &c. | 9,029 99 | |
| | $34,791 22 | |

A. A. McKETHAN, F. R. ROSE, } Committee.
CHAS. HAIGH, N. W. RAY, }

FAYETTEVILLE, N. C., February 1st, 1887.

NOTE.—In the above statement no account is taken of the Tax Books for year September 1886 to September 1887, amounting in gross to $11,675 00
Coupons in hands of collector, received by him for taxes, 1,831 00
Uncollected balances on old tax books—*estimated*, 1,500 00
$15,009 00

For the payment charged as F. & F. Railroad compromised Note, the C. F. & Y. V. Railway Co., their successors, surrendered $43,200 F. & F. Bonds with coupons attached, and also a note for $2,587 74 and interest, all of which have been *cancelled* and *destroyed*.

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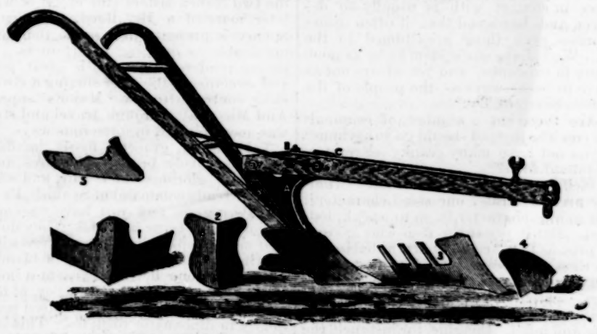
*HAVE ON HAND ANOTHER LARGE LOT OF DAISY PLOWS.*



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3,000 Bags Sea Fowl and Bradley's Guano.
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Condensed Schedule.


TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

| DATED Dec. 27, 1886. | No. 43, Daily. | No. 47, Daily. |
|---|---|---|
| Leave Weldon | 2 15 P. M. | 5 38 P. M. |
| Arrive Rocky Mount | 3 33 " | ..... |
| Arrive Tarboro | 4 50 P. M. | ..... |
| Leave Tarboro | 11 30 P. M. | ..... |
| Arrive Wilson | 4 05 P. M. | 6 58 P. M. |
| Leave Wilson | 4 03 " | ..... |
| Arrive Selma | 5 40 " | ..... |
| Arrive Fayetteville | 8 30 " | ..... |
| Leave Goldsboro | 4 54 " | 7 40 " |
| Leave Warsaw | 5 54 " | ..... |
| Leave Burgaw | 7 00 " | ..... |
| Arrive Wilmington | 7 50 " | 9 55 P. M. |

TRAINS GOING NORTH.

| | No. 47, Daily. | No. 42, Daily. |
|---|---|---|
| Leave Wilmington | 8 50 A. M. | 8 50 P. M. |
| Leave Burgaw | 9 34 " | 9 50 " |
| Leave Warsaw | 10 37 " | 10 57 " |
| Arrive Goldsboro | 11 35 " | 11 58 " |
| Leave Fayetteville | 8 00 " | ..... |
| Arrive Selma | 10 47 " | ..... |
| Arrive Wilson | 11 59 " | ..... |
| Leave Wilson | 12 25 P. M. | 12 51 A. M. |
| Arrive Rocky Mount | 12 40 " | ..... |
| Arrive Tarboro | 4 50 P. M. | ..... |
| Leave Tarboro | 11 30 A. M. | ..... |
| Arrive Weldon | 2 35 P. M. | 2 70 A. M. |

A Freight and Passenger Train on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday leaves Smithfield at 6 a. m. and arrives at Fayetteville at 10 a. m. Leaves Fayetteville at 3 p. m. and arrives at Smithfield at 6:50 p. m.

Freight and Passenger Train on Monday, Wednesday and Friday leaves Smithfield at 7:30 a. m. and arrives at Wilson at 10:00 a. m. Leaves Wilson at 3:25 p. m. and arrives at Smithfield at 5:30 p. m.

Passenger Train north from Fayetteville connects with R. & D. R. R. at Selma for Raleigh and Greensboro.

Train on Scotland Neck Branch Road leaves Halifax for Scotland Neck at 3.00 P. M. Returning leaves Scotland Neck at 9.30 A. M., daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., via Albermarle & Raleigh R. R. Daily except Sunday, 6.00 P. M. Sunday 5.00 P. M., arrive Williamston, N. C., 8.10 P. M. 6.40 P. M. Returning leaves Williamston, N. C., Daily except Sunday, 8.00 A. M., Sunday 9.50 A. M., arrive Tarboro, N. C., 10.05 A. M., 11.30 A. M.

Train on Midland, N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C. Daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M., arrive Smithfield, N. C., 7.00 P. M. Returning leaves Smithfield, N. C., 7.30 A. M., arrive Goldsboro, N. C., 9.00 A. M.

Southbound Train on Wilson & Fayetteville Branch is No. 50. Northbound is No. 51.

Train No. 40 South will stop only at Wilson, Goldsboro and Magnolia.

Train No. 47 makes close connection at Weldon for all points North daily. All rail via Richmond, and daily except Sunday via Bay Line.

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B. R. HUSKE—Insurance.
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M. S. WILLARD—Marine Insurance.
G. M. RORE—Democratic Meeting.
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PEMBERTON & PRIOR—Rheumatic Remedy.
THE RACKET STORE—The Almighty Dollar.

## ABOUT TOWN.

Time to begin gardening.

Harnett court this week, Judge Clark presiding.

Judge McRae will open court at Henderson on Monday, February 14th.

Don't you think that a row of nicely built flats would look well on the old wagon lot?

Mr. Westbrook, the nurseryman, is now planting peas for shipment to the Northern market.

The new foundry should be of great benefit to our people. We understand that it is doing well—plenty of work.

The new delivery wagon of A. S. Huske & Co., with its jingling bells, plumed horse, &c., makes an attractive appearance.

Messrs. A. S. Huske & Co. had shad and rockfish for sale last week—the first of the season. Our fishermen will soon be at work.

The free bridge has opened a way for one necessity—that is wood—which proved a mighty blessing to all during the late cold term.

TOBACCO BREAK.—There will be a tobacco break to-day at the Flour Warehouse. Let every merchant attend and help to build up the enterprise.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.—Young men, remember St. Valentine's day; every girl expects a message of love. McNeill & Co. have a beautiful and varied selection.

Messrs. Westbrook and Breece are doing much to improve this section in adding the finest varieties of fruit, and Mr. Lamb in beautifying the front yards of our homes.

The C. F. & Y. V. Railroad is now completed as far as Belews Creek, a distance from Bennettsville of 188 miles. Walnut Cove will be reached about the middle of March.

The pavements on Hay street at both depots need the attention of our city authorities. At the Wilson Short Cut, the drays are doing damage to the sidewalk. "A word to the wise," &c.

BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION.—Would it not be well for our merchants to form a "*Business Men's Association*," to discuss and to formulate matters that would be of benefit to themselves and the Town?

The change predicted by the signal service, as usual, proved true, and Saturday was a cold, misty, bleak day. So our streets did not present, as is customary, that busy throng of our countrymen.

Mr. Geo. A. Thomson, who has recently purchased the old Hale house on Haymount, is receiving the lumber preparatory to improvement. Mr. Thomson has lately added much to beautify his own home.

If the bill prohibiting the sale of razors had passed, what would our young men have done? We used to be told that the application of cream with a cat to lick it, would help the beardless youth. Suppose you try it.

22ND OF FEBRUARY.—The Independent Light Infantry Company will celebrate February 22nd (Washington's birthday) by a competitive drill between the two platoons of the Company at Williams Hall. A prize will be contended for.

TIME TO PLANT.—Mr. Westbrook, the Nurseryman, says the month of February is the time to set out your fruit trees, grape vines, strawberry plants, raspberries, asparagus roots, &c. Also, to prune and plant evergreens, roses, shrubbery, &c.

Work on the new Fayetteville Hotel commenced Monday. The material has been ordered, and we now expect to see progress made. The owners, Mr. Frank W. Thornton, J. B. Starr and A. B. Williams, are the men to push things. We want more like them.

LECTURES BY THE REV. A. S. PHILLIPS.—The lectures delivered by this Divine upon the study of Geography, &c., have afforded to many not only an opportunity of spending a pleasant evening, but have been particularly instructive, giving just such points as a seeker after knowledge likes to possess. Mr. Phillips inherits this wonderful gift of imparting knowledge from father and grandfather, who have in days gone by done incalculable service in instructing the youth of our State.

Rev. Dr. Geo. B. Wetmore will preach in Christ Church, Rockfish, on Sunday next at 11 o'clock A. M.

The County Commissioners in session on Monday allowed to 48 persons upon the poor list. These persons will receive from the office scrip for the amount allowed. This scrip is payable in cash and transferable, so that it is the equivalent of cash to any merchant.

The warm weather of last week caused the elms to bud. It looked and felt as if spring was upon us. The ground-hog, which the up country farmers place so much confidence in, has made his appearance and reports that the backbone of winter is broken. So take down the shovel and the hoe, and make preparations for a big crop.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.—Capt. John B. Broadfoot, Grand Representative; R. T. Scanlin, Grand Master of Exchequer; Jas. McK. Woodword, Maj. W. S. Cook, T. O. Whaley and D. A. McMillan, Past Chancellors, and Jno. B. Cook and Joel Woodward, Knights, have been delegated by Cumberland Lodge No. 5, Knights of Pythias of this town, to represent their Lodge at the meeting of the Grand Lodge which is now in session at Newberne.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT SALEM HIGH SCHOOL.—A letter from Mr. Marion Butler, principal of Salem High School, states that on the night of Feby. 4th that one of the buildings of this school was burned. His loss was about $800. Among the articles lost was a fine Chickering piano, library of the Philotechnic Society, school books, &c. The exercises of the school will continue for the rest of the term and the building replaced before the fall term. No insurance. Cause of fire unknown.

THE NEW ENGINES.—We noticed in last issue the arrival of the two "Jumbo" engines. Mr. Clark informs us that the two consolidated engines, numbers 14 and 15, are both equipped with all the latest improvements. Sight feed lubricators, balance valves, metallic packing, and Eames' vacuum brakes. The cylinders are 20 in. x24—driving wheels 50 in. diameter—and the weight of each engine is 116,500 lbs. Weight of tender 64,000, making total weight when ready for road 180,000 pounds. They are huge affairs.

COTTON FACTORY.—Messrs. Lilly and Lee have sold the old Benbow site on Cross Creek, one of the finest sites for a cotton factory on this stream. It is here that Cross and Blount's creeks meet, and where it is said the creeks crossed, for years Mr. Benbow (the father of D. W. C. Benbow, of Greensboro,) carried on successfully a cotton factory at this place. The mill and dam were destroyed by Sherman. Since then the site has remained unused. Now it is to be rebuilt, and a large cotton factory will soon be heard humming in harmony to the rippling waters.

LIST OF JURORS.—The following good and true men were drawn as jurors for the March term of Cumberland County Superior Court:

D. A. Geddie, M. H. Rouse, D. J. Currie, Jno. A. Steele, Z. Taylor, R. J. Baker, M. L. McDaniel, T. H. McNeill, J. H. Smith, B. L. Cain, J. W. Johnson, M. T. McIntyre, A. McN. Beard, D. L. Davis; Jas. A. McKethan, A. M. West, J. C. Blue, C. H. Callais, Geo. McCrimmon, E. H. Jackson, C. B. Simmons, William Monroe, David Sessoms J. A. Barnes J. H. Hall, James Holmes, R. O. Clark, M. D. Bethune, J. H. Wyne, Elridge Hall, Wm. M. Hybart, Johnathan Evans, Sr., J. D. Faircloth, J. L. Starling A. E. Faircloth, J. W. Cogdell.

Northern or Western bacon, corn, potatoes, cabbages, and lots of other things, that might just as readily be raised at home, are on sale here from year's end to year's end. No wonder the cry of "hard times," no money, &c., are heard, when we buy from others what we might raise at home; and it is strange that some enterprising farmer does not follow the lead and show results. An exchange says:

One of the saddest sights ever seen in Georgia was a wood wagon hauling Northern cabbage out into the country. It was enough to make a mortgaged mule lean up against the stable and weap tears of dispair.

HYMENEAL.—On Thursday evening last, February 3rd, at the residence of the bride's father, Miss Fannie I. Watson to Mr. Ed. C. Smith, Rev. Mr. Gibbs, of the Methodist Church, officiating. The bride was the recipient of many valuable and beautisul presents. We make special mention only of the elegant solid silver sett of knives, forks, spoons, ladle, cake-knife, &c., &c., presented by the members of the Methodist Church, in token of their appreciation of her services as organist, and one from the teachers in the Graded School, among whom she has served for several years. To the happy couple we extend our congratulations.

IMPROVEMENTS.—From the number of lumber yards and the activity displayed, it is evident that building is going on to a greater degree than the casual observer would suspect. In walking around we noticed on Dick street that improvements were being made at the residence of A. S. Huske, that Mr. Hinsdale had not only painted, but had made decided improvements on his dwelling next door, and that Dr. Hunter was hard at work completing his new dwelling, which would be an ornament to any town. But this is not all; improvements are going on steadily all over the town, and Fayetteville is growing, in spite of some croakers.

There is a quantity of lumber at the old Phœnix factory site, and the workmen are busy preparing it. We understand that the dam is to be replaced and a grist mill built by our active, enterprising townsman, Jas. D. McNeill. The electric light dynamo will be placed there.

Mrs. West, at the foot of Haymount, has set a good example by paving the sidewalk before her two stores with brick. Why not continue the good work?

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION SERVICES.—On last Sunday evening the following recently-elected Ruling Elders and Deacons of the Presbyterian Church were ordained and installed by the Session: Elders—Dr. J. W. McNeill and Messrs. G. P. McNeill and G. G. Myrover; Deacons—Messrs. A. E. Rankin, W. F. Leak, W. G. Hall and R. M. Prior. The congregation was large and the ceremony interesting and impressive.

MEETING OF MERCHANTS.—A meeting of the business men was held in the Town Hall on Tuesday for the purpose of taking steps against the passage of the Railroad Commission Bill. Mr. A. H. Slocomb was called to the chair and Mr. E. L. Pemberton acted as secretary. After a short discussion, a committee of three were appoined to draft resolutions of protest to be sent to our representatives. The committee consists of Messrs. J. H. Myrover Chas. Haigh, and Maj. W. S. Cook.

THE INDEPENDENT COMPANY.—At a meeting of the Independent Company, held at their armory on Monday night, it was unanimously decided to go to Washington, D. C., to take part in the *grand competitive drill*. The Company will leave here on the 19th of May, celebrate the 20th of May in Wilmington with their comrades in that city, and accompany them to the capital.

The Company also decided to provide a new uniform, and have selected the *grey* frock coat handsomely trimmed with black braid and gold facings. The epaulette is black, with gold facing with white fringe. It is an exceedingly handsome uniform—the Company will present a handsome appearance in it.

STATEMENT OF TOWN COMMISSIONERS.—We call special attention to-day to the full exhibit of the debt of the town of Fayetteville, it is a good showing. The expenses of the town for the past three and a half years have been but a little over nine thousand dollars. Under former rule it cost a little over that amount each year, showing a saving of at least sixty-six and two-thirds per cent. They have already paid over $25,000 on the debt. At this rate it will only take a few more years to accomplish what we all so ardently wish —*the extinction of the entire debt*. The taxes for town expenses for the past three years have been exceeding light, and we all should pay cheerfully when such bright prospects are before us.

BLADEN STEAM BOAT CO.—We regret to learn that Capt. T. J. Green so long connected with the boating business on the Cape Fear River has been compelled on account of ill health to tender his resignation as Capt of the Str. *Cape Fear*. Capt. Green was a model captain, always attentive, polite and cheerful, and his retirement is a severe loss to the Company and traveling community. Complimentary resolutions were passed by the Stockholders, expressing regret at his resignation and the necessity causing it. Mr. R. H. Tomlinson, who has been connected with this company for the past two years under Capt. Green, was elected to fill the vacancy, he is in every way competent to discharge the duties. He is a clever, genial gentleman The same Agts. at Fayetteville and Wilmington are retained.

C. F. &. Y. V. DEPOT.—A walk around the yards and depots of the Cape Fear & Yankin Valley Railway Company at this place, would be a surprise to many of our citizens. The substantial improvements already made and being pushed to completion, have long been needed, and finally have become a necessity, owing to the rapid increase of the Company's business. The new freight depot, facing Military Green will soon be completed, and every care has been used to make this one of the most convenient buildings of the kind in the State, not only to the officials employed here, by placing track scales and cotton platform near at hand, but the interest of draymen and others, hauling to and from this new depot have been looked after. At the old depot they are often forced to lose an hour or two by the shifting of trains. This will now be avoided by the new side track south of Mumford street, which, when completed, will hold thirty-five or forty freight cars. Passenger and mail trains will continue to arrive and depart from the old depot, and suitable waiting rooms and other improvements will be made there. These changes are being made under the supervision of Mr. J. W. Fry, General Superintendent, and we congratulate the Company in securing the services of a gentleman so thoroughly informed in every detail of his business.

### Personals.

Mr. T. H. Hardin was in town this week.

Miss Dixie Leach, of Pittsboro, is visiting her friend and schoolmate, Mrs. A. S. Huske.

Miss Mary Eliza Hicks and Miss Georgie Hicks, of Duplin, are on a visit to Mrs. H. McD. Robinson.

Thos. H. Sutton, Esq., spent Sunday and Monday with his family. Mr. J. G. Shaw was also here.

Mr. Robert Strange, Assistant Engineer on the C. F. Y. V. Railway, has been spending some days with us. Mr. Strange commenced at the bottom—carrying the chain—and has been climbing up ever since—an example worty of imitation.

### Notes from Dunn, N. C.

*By Our Special Reporter.*

The lumber for the new Baptist Church is nearly all sawed.

The Sabbath School here is now progressing, with Mr. S. W. Parker Superintendent and Mr. J. P. Thames Assistant Superintendent.

Mr. A. B. Godwin, of Sampson, will open a first-class boarding house in the Jones building shortly.

Mr. R. F. Thornton has moved into Mr. Alexander Lee's handsome little store, Mr. Rufus Jernigan will open a barber shop in same building this week.

Messrs. Thames are having their store painted, which adds very much to the looks.

Mr. John Lane will move into his new building opposite the depot in a few days.

Mr. James Phillips will put a stock of groceries in the Hood building next to C. T. Williams & Co. this week.

Mr. James Corbit, of Selma, is making preparations to build a store on his lot next to Mr. John Lane's.

Mr. Archie Godwin takes the lead in store-houses in the way of size. He builds his a little larger than any one else. It seems to be no trouble to rent. He had two applications from good business men by the time he got his frame raised. No wonder people are pushing to build.

Messrs. S. W. Parker and C. T. Williams, of Smithfield, have moved their families here, where they are doing business.

Mr. J. P. Thames left here this morning to visit his father in Cumberland, and Mr. H. B. Pope to visit his people in or near Bennettsville. T.

Dunn, N. C., Feb. 7, 1887.

### Railway News.

There is to be a new railway from Durham to Franklinton. It will take the Durham business over its line to Franklinton and thence northward *via* the Raleigh & Gaston road. W. T. Blackwell, Julian S. Carr, John C. Winder and others are interested in this important cut-off, and the present Legislature is to grant a charter.

Another railway which is to be begun at once is from Southern Pines, on the Raleigh & Augusta Air Line, to Carthage, the county seat of Moore county. The University railroad now has a terminus at University Station, but Durham is to be made the terminus for greater convenience in handling freights, &c.

*A New Through Line North and South.*—James S. Morrison, Esq., who was Chief Engineer and constructed the Cape Fear & Yadkin Valley Railway from Bennettsville to Greensboro, is now Chief Engineer and has been for some time locating and preparing for construction a line of road from Monroe, N. C., via Chester, Greenville and Abbeville, S. C., and Athens, Ga., to Atlanta, Ga.—distance about 260 miles. Much of the line is said to be ready for construction. The public knows very little about this new line. Gen. R. F. Hoke is President, and it is to be built in the interest of the Seaboard Air Line, of Norfolk, and the New York, Philadelphia & Norfolk Railroad, terminating at Chester City, 30 miles over the Bay from Norfolk, and said to be owned by the Pennsylvania Railroad. This new line is a very important one, it being as short or perhaps shorter than any other line between North and South. Its early completion is said to be certain.

The Baltimore *Journal of Commerce* of the 16th says that a company of Pittsburgh capitalits, stockholders in the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, are contemplating a big scheme, which is nothing more nor less than than the building of a railroad from Pittsburgh to Mobile, and that the probable line will pass across West Virginia and southwestern Virginia to Cranberry, Mitchell county, N. C., thence through Madison, Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson, Macon and Cherokee counties, N. C., thence through James, Bradley and Hamilton, Tenn., thence in a direct line to Mobile.

### Cool News.

At Egypt, in Chatham Co., a Pennsylvania company has purchased a large arena of this field and proposes to begin operations there in the early future. They will begin by supplying local demands and to gradually broaden the business.

There are also other parties contracting for the Ore Hill Iron Mine near, for the purpose of operating largely. It is expected that they will erect blast furnaces and conduct the work on a large scale.

The indications for this coal and iron district are brightening every day. When once work is begun on a proper scale, a prominent business must result.—*Baltimore Manufactures's Record.*

Gen P. M. Young, of Georgia, has resigned his position as Consul General at St. Petersburg.

Representative Reagan, Ex-Confederate postmaster general, has been elected United States Senator to succeed Senator Maxey.

They say about three hundred applications have been made for places on the inter-state commerce commission, and more are rolling in every day.

The Anarchist August Spies, who is in prison in Chicago, was married to Miss Van Zandt on the 1st of February, by proxy. The groom was represented by his brother.

As nearly every one in Europe is now talking about a probable war, let us see how many men each nation can bring into the fray: Russia 4,000,000 Germany 2,500,000, Austria 1,077,000, Italy 2,400,000, Turkey 800,000, making a total of over 13,000,000 of men.

### DIED.

CAMPBELL.—On the Sunday morning, 30th inst., at the residence of Maj. A. M. Campbell, after a long and painful illness, Miss BARBARA CAMPBELL, daughter of the late Duncan Campbell, aged 71 years.

"Asleep in Jesus."

### GENERAL FAYETTEVILLE MARKET.

*Corrected by Geo. A. Thomson.*

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1887.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| N. C. BACON— | | HIDES— | |
| Hog Round, | 11½ | Flint—good, | 11 |
| Sides, | 11 | Flint—damaged, | 5@8 |
| Hams, | 15 | Dry Salt, | 9@10 |
| WEST. BULK MEATS— | | Green, | 4½ |
| Sides, | 7½ | IRON— | |
| Shoulders, | 6 | American, | 3 |
| WESTERN BACON— | | Swedes, | 5@6 |
| Sides, | 8½ | LARD— | |
| Hams, | 15 | N. Carolina, | 10 |
| Shoulders, | 6 | Western, | 8@9 |
| BAGGING, | 8@9 | LEATHER— | |
| BEEF— | | Upper, country, | 35@40 |
| On foot, | 2@3 | Sole, Hemlock, | 25@27 |
| Dressed, | 5@6 | Harness, Chitty, | 25@30 |
| BEESWAX, | 18@20 | MOLASSES, | 25@40 |
| BUTTER— | | NAILS— | |
| North Carolina, | 20@25 | (10d basis), | 3.00 |
| Northern, | 30@35 | PORK— | |
| COFFEE— | | Fresh, | 6½ |
| Java, | 25 | Mess, | (None.) |
| Rio, | 15@17 | POTATOES— | |
| COTTON YARN, | 85@95 | Sweet, | 50 |
| COTTON TIES, | 1.15@1.40 | Irish—bbl., | 3.00 |
| CHICKENS, | 15@20 | SALT, | 85@90 |
| EGGS, | 17½ | SUGARS— | |
| FLOUR— | | Coffee, | 6½@7 |
| N. C. Family, | (None.) | Granulated, | 7@8 |
| West. Fam., | 4.00@7.00 | SHEETINGS, | 6 |
| FODDER, | 75 | SHUCKS, | 50 |
| GRAIN— | | TALLOW, | 5 |
| Corn, | 60 | WOOL, | 18 |
| Oats, | 50 | SPIRITS— | |
| Rye, | 85 | Corn Whisky, | 1.75@2.00 |
| Peas new, | 65 | Rye Whisky, | 1.75@3.00 |
| HAY— | | Ap. Brandy, | 1.75@3.00 |
| N. Carolina, | 30@60 | Pch Brandy, | 1.75@3.00 |
| Northern, | 1.00@1.20 | | |

### Fayetteville Cotton and Naval Stores Market.

*Corrected by A. E. Rankin & Co.*

COTTON.—The market opened on Monday of this week at 8¼ cents, remaining on Tuesday and yesterday at the same price.

NAVAL STORES.—Spirits was quie yesterday at 34 cents.

Rosin was dull, prices ranging from 55 and 65 cents for common.

Crude Turpentine—Hard $1.00, Yellow Dip $1.50, Virgin $1.75.

### Wilmington Market.

WILMINGTON N. C., Feb'y 9, 1887.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.—Quoted dull at the opening at 36½ cents per gallon, but without sales; later 50 casks sold at 36½ cents, market closing dull at these figures.

ROSIN.—The market was quoted firm at 75 cents per bbl. for strained and 80 cents for Good Strained.

TIMBER.—Market steady, with quotations as follows: Prime and Extra Shipping, first class heart, $9 50@$11 00 per M. feet; Extra Mill, good heart, $7 50@$8 50; Mill Prime, $7 00@$7 50; Good Common Mill, $4 00@$6 00; Inferior to Ordinary, $3 00@$5 00.


## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

# Great Sale
—OF—
## Hamburg Edgings and Insertions!

BROWN & RODDICK,
27 Hay Street.

We are now exhibiting on our counters the

**Largest and Cheapest Line of HAMBURG EDGINGS and INSERTIONS Ever shown in this section of the country.**

Made on the best cloth, and edges thoroughly finished—manufacturer retiring from business—and this purchase was made 40 per cent. below present market value.

**Prices from 3c. to 45c. per yard, In all widths.**

## Great Reductions
—IN—
## ALL DRY GOODS

that belong to winter wear. They must be sold.

**YOU MAY RELY ON TWO THINGS:**

First, WE HAVE COME HERE TO STAY. And secondly, we will allow NO house in the country to undersell us. Our facilities for buying are second to NONE. Every article marked in PLAIN FIGURES. Give us a call and judge for yourselves.

BROWN & RODDICK,
27 Hay street.
Branch Store Wilmington, N. C. feb 10

## January has gone,

## February is here,

## And March is Coming!

—Beware of her winds!—

**HAVE YOUR PROPERTY INSURED**

—In the—
HIBERNIA, SUN MUTUAL
—Or the—
WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY.
B. R. HUSKE, Agent.
feb 10 tf

## Democratic Township Meeting.

The Democrats of Cumberland County are repuested to assemble at their respective places of meeting on Thursday, February 17, for the purpose of naming to our members suitable persons for the appointment to the office of Justice of the Peace from the several townships.

The proceedings, signed by the secretary and chairman, should then be forwarded to T. H. Sutton or John G. Shaw, House of Representatives, Raleigh, N. C.

GEO. M. ROSE,
Chm'n County Dem. Ex. Com.
fee 10 1.

## For Rent.

DWELLING ON DICK STREET. Recently repaired and painted. Apply to
feb 10-tf S. J. HINSDALE.

## HAYMOUNT NURSERY.

I can furnish Trees and Plants of any description, and will attend to or oversee the work of planting them. I am agent for the

**LeConte and Kieffer Pears**
and can furnish the
**Bartlett or LeConte Roots**
so they will not blight.

I am also offering a large quantity of the **Celebrated Crescent and Monarch Strawberries.**

☞ All at low prices.

C. W. WESTBROOK.
Address: Box 98, Fayetteville. feb 10-3t

## Valuable Property at Auction.

Building and Lot on Person street, known as Starr Mills, lot 105x190.

Also, all the Cotton Machinery in said building, capacity 500 lbs. Yarn per day.

Time—February 21st.
Place—Market House.
feb 10-2t H. G. HALL, Agent.

## Poland China Hogs
*FOR SALE.*

I have a few fine Poland China Hogs and Pigs—pure blood—for sale. Apply to
feb 10-1t A. OVERBAUGH.

## Marine Insurance.

*OPEN POLICIES*

will be issued by the undersigned to merchants of Fayetteville who order goods directly from New York, covering their purchases by insurance from the time they are loaded on board steamer in New York until they are received in Fayetteville. Entries to be reported on blanks furnished for the purpose whenever invoices are received. All wholesale and retail grocers should have a policy of this sort.

Assets of Marine Insurance companies represented **$28,444,511.**

M. S. WILLARD,
214 North Water st., Wilmington, N. C.
**Fire, Life, Marine and Accident Insurance.**
feb 10 2t

THE BEST KNOWN
## C-I-G-A-R
on this market, is
## HEADQUARTERS BRAND.
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## $500!

Wanted to borrow *FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS.* Ample security, on good, improved real estate, given. Address LAND,
Care OBSERVER AND GAZETTE.
jeb 3-2t

## ADVERTISEMENTS

# Frank Thornton

This time of the year has always been considered a dull season. To make February a busy month and to work off winter goods, I have reduced an enormous stock to

## Prices never before heard of.

### Fine Dress Goods.

Special attention is called to extraordinary inducements in Dress Fabrics.

### Combination Robe Patterns,

At $2.75 to $7 each;
Worth from $5 to $15.

### DRESS SILKS.

My offerings of the last few weeks have effected a great reduction in the bulk of these goods, though the assortment yet remains perfect. Ladies are earnestly requested to call early—the prices cannot long continue. If you don't need the goods right now, it will pay you to buy them and lay them aside for a while. Remember, ONLY 36 CENTS A YARD.

### Hamburg Edgings.

There was sent to me last week, direct from the Custom House, in New York, a very large case containing a good many hundred dollars' worth of HAMBURG EDGINGS and INSERTIONS. I did not order these goods, but rather then send them back, I have decided to keep them and to mark them to sell at prices less than the cost of importation.

### Ladies' Wraps

In all Styles are now offered at a small fraction of their real worth.

### Blankets.

I have more of these than anybody ought to be caught with at this near approach of spring. Come and price them.

### Thrugh the Stock

Everybody is invited to come and look through the stock and ask prices. You can find something that you will be glad to buy.

FRANK THORNTON.
feb 3 tf

## MUSHROOMS.

Olives, Chili Sauce, Pickled Onions, Mixed Pickles, Plain Pickles, Pickled Lamb's Tongue, Clams, Clam Chowder, Shrimps, Luneh Tongue, Ox Tongue, Salmon and Lobsters, at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## Administrator's Notice.

The undersigned having this day qualified in the Superior Court of Cumberland County as the Administrator of the estate of Susan Newberry, hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said estate to present them on or before January 21st, 1888.

Jany 21, 1887. N. W. RAY, Adm. of SUSAN NEWBERRY.

And further notice is given that the heirs, entitled to claim the real and personal estate of said Susan Newberry, are not known—and if there be any persons who have the right to claim said estate, they are requested to make themselves known.

jan 27-6t N. W. RAY.

## Split Peas!

The novelty and attraction. Have you tried them?

—FRESH—
**Oat Meal and Pearl Hominy,**
—AT—
HEADQUARTERS.
G. A. THOMSON.

## For Rent.

That new, desirable and conveniently situated dwelling, lately occupied by H. McD. Robinson, Esq., on the corner adjoining St. John's Church, Green Street.

### ALSO,

The comfortable dwelling known as the Delaney or Epps House on the corner of Maiden Lane, next to C. F. & Y. V. Railway Depot.

### ALSO,

The two large and roomy Stores recently occupied by me as Clothing Stores on South side Hay Street, an exceedingly desirable location. Possession given immediately.

FRANK THORNTON.
feb 3rd tf

## TIN!

Another big drive in Tinware at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## Notice.

Notice is hereby given that the following described articles of personal property have been seized by me in this District for violation of the United States Internal Revenue Laws, viz.: One barrel Corn Whisky, 46½ gallons, said to belong to Key & Co., seized October 27th, 1886. Any person claiming any interest in said property is hereby requested to appear and make claim thereto within thirty days from this date, and show cause why said property should not be forfeited to the United States.

Given under my hand and seal of office this 12th day of January, 1887.

W. H. YARBOROUGH,
jan 20-3t Collector 4th District, N. C.

LAUNDRY, CASTILE and TOILET
## S-o-a-p-s
**PEARLINE, SAPOLIO,**
Frank Siddle's unrivalled SOAP on hand constantly at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## ADVERTISEMENTS.

A new lot of those elegant
## PIN MONEY PICKLES,
put up by a Richmond, Va., lady.
—AT—
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## F. F. F. F. F. F. F. F.

REMEMBER, YOU WILL
**Find First-class, Fine, Fresh, Flavored, Fancy Family Groceies,**
PROVISIONS, FRUITS, NUTS and CANDIES, at
## R. T. SCANLIN'S,
Agent, No. 47 Person Street.
feb 3 tf

FRESH ROAST
JAVA, LAGUIRA, BLENDED and RIO
## Coffees,
Fresh ground when wanted, at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.
feb 3 tf

## BUIST'S
## Celebrated Garden Seeds.

WHY IS IT THAT
## SEDBERRY'S SEED SALES
*INCREASE EVERY YEAR?*

Because he **WILL NOT** sell old Seeds left over, and the people know it.

**"New and Fresh, or None,"**
IS HIS MOTTO.

**He has just received the Largest Supply ever brought to this market.**
jan 27 tf

—IF IN WANT OF—
# SPICES,
WHOLE OR GROUND,
**Extracts and Essences,**
## Mustard,
DOMESTIC AND FRENCH,
## PURE CIDER VINEGAR,
CALL AT
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

FRESH
## Garden Seeds,
—FROM—
## D. LANDRETH & SONS.
**Not a paper of Seed in store at beginning of season, all old seed having been destroyed.**
CALL EARLY AND SELECT.
## H. R. HORNE,
jan 27 tf

—BUY—
YOUR NEW HULLED
## Buckwheat,
**Fancy and New Orleans Syrup, Full Creamery Butter, Preserves, Jellies and Jams**
—AT—
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## Notice of Removal.

MRS. JOHN SHAW begs to announce to her friends and the public that she has moved her stock of

**Millinery and Fancy Goods**

to the Jamb in the Jas. N. Smith Drug Store (next to the old Fayetteville Book Store) on Market Square. She will be pleased to serve them at her new quarters, and is prepared to offer

**Bargains in Millinery.**
jan 27 1m

## For Sale.

A good Cooking Stove—comparatively new. Apply at UNION HOME AND HOSPITAL.
jun 13 tf

Now is your time for
## Plum Pudding
(every one says it's good.)
**Atmore's Mince Meat,**
The Rival Brand, at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## MRS. BANKS

Has resumed Baking and Candy Making in the old stand of J. N. Smith's drug store. She expects her Northern Baker on Monday, 28th. Soliciting the continuance of the patronage of her many customers she will endeavor to give them satisfaction.
feb tf

## BARGAIN.

I have eight fine, large MULES, one good ROAD WAGON and one good TIMBER WAGON that I want to sell, to be delivered on or about March 1st, next. The mules are in good condition and the wagon in good repair. Terms easy. Persons wanting to see the mules in Fayetteville will please give me two days' notice. Leave your letter with A. E. Rankin & Co.
jeb 3-tf JOHN McDUFFIE.

**Royal Baking Powder,**
Sea Foam, Cardina, Hartford Bread Preparation, Potatoes and Cream Tartar
in stock at
HEADQUARTERS,
G. A. THOMSON.

## "The Coffee My Mother Used to Make."

JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY.

"I was born in Indianny," says a stranger lank and slim,
As us fellows in the restaurant was kind o' guyin' him,
And Uncle Jake was slidin' him another punkin pie
And an extra cup of coffee, with a twinkle in his eye—

"I was born in Indianny—mor'n forty year ago,
And I hain't been back in twenty—and I'm workin' back'ards slow,
And I've et in every restaurant 'twixt here and Santa Fe,
And I want to state this coffee tastes like gettin' home to me!

"Pour us out another, daddy," says the feller warmin' up,
A-speakin' 'erost a saucerful as Uncle tuck his cup,
"When I seed your sign out yonder," he went on to Uncle Jake—
"'Come in and get some coffee like your mother used to make'—

"I thought of my old mother and the Posey County farm,
And me a little kid agin, a-hangin' on her arm
As she set the pot a-bilin', broke the eggs and poured 'em in,"
And the feller kinder halted, with a tremble in his chin.

And Uncle Jake he fetched the feller's coffee back and stood
As solemn for a moment as an undertaker would;
Then he sort o' turned and tiptoed to'rds the kitchen door, and next—
Here comes his old wife out with him a-rubbin' off her specs—

And she rushes for the stranger, and she hollers out, "It's him!
Thank God we've met him comin'! Don't yo know your mother, Jim?"
And the feller, as he grabbed her, says,
"You bet I hain't forgot!"—
But wipin' off his eyes, says he, "Your coffee's mighty hot!"

## QUEER WORLD THIS.

### Mr. Dunder Tells How He Came to Lick a Man Who Did'nt Deserve It.

*From the Detroit Free Press.*

"Vhas I arrested?" softly inquired Mr. Dunder as he leaned over Sergeant Bendal's desk yesterday.

"Haven't heard of any such thing What's the matter now?"

"Vhell, a few days ago a man mit a pundle comes in my place. Vhas I Carl Dunder? I vhas. Dot vhas all right. He prings dot package by express und der charge vhas forty cents—sign your name here, und der express company was not liable if goods be left more ash six monts. Sergeant?"

"Well?"

"Vhat you s'pose was in dot pundle?"

"Greenbacks."

"Humph! It vhas a cobble-shtone, und dot fellow shwindles me! I vhas so mad I slump oafer der pool-table. I like to come und see you abondt it, but if I do you tells dot *Free Press* man, und he makes fun of me. Sergeant?"

"Yes."

"May pe I vhas some lunatic, but I doan belief him. In two days anoder man vhalk in mit a pundle. Vhas I Carl Dunder? I vhas. Dot vhas all right. He prings me dot package, und der shange for fife dollar."

"But you didn't pay?"

"Sergeant, I jump on dot man like a cow jump on a leedle sparrow, und in two minutes he vhas sooch a licked fellow dot his own mother doan tell who he vhas. He leafs de bundle und crawls avhay, und vhen my vife comes home she says it vhas some shirts for me dot she puys at de store!"

"No!"

"Dot vhas it, Sergeant. I send Shake to settle mit der feller for $25, but may pe he had me arrested pesides."

"Singular," remarked the Sergeant, after a painful silence.

"Vhell, it strikes me like dot, too. Dis vhas a strange country. Nopody vhas two times alike, und if you kick somepody it vhas der man who doan deserve him. Good-bye, Sergeant. If some warrant comes oudt for me und I vhas arrested I like you to be around und say to me dot I vhas all o. k. und doan go to Shtate Prison for life."

### Some Statistics.

According to the Commissioner of Agriculture for the current year the increase of production of late years has been truly marvelous. He says: "While the number of the people in 1880 were more than double those of 1850, the production of cereals not only kept pace with the population, but furnished fifty-three bushels for each inhabitant in place of thirty-eight at the earlier date. With an increase of 7,000,000 of people in the first half of the present decade, the aggregate of cereals exceeded 3,000,000,000 bushes in 1885, still keeping up the extraordinary rate of supply attained in 1880, and showing in wheat a product five times as large as in 1850, and a corn crop nearly four times as large. During the decade between 1870 and 1880 the population of the United States increased thirty per cent. According to a writer in the Chicago *Current* the number of persons in the medical profession has increased thirty-seven per cent., in the legal profession fifty-seven per cent., and in the ministry forty-seven per cent. These and other statistics, showing a greater proportional increase in the professions and in vocations in which labor is not supposed to be very arduous than in population, are instanced to prove that Americans are developing a love of ease in respect to employment. It strikes us that a simpler way of proving such a proposition would be merely to enumerate the comparative increase in tramps and population.—*Ex.*

### A Texas Boy's Great Grit.

*From Brownsville (Texas) Cosmopolitan.*

Recently two boys, brothers, one of eleven and the other ten years of age, were playing on the banks of the river at Ures. They proposed to take some wood home to their mother, and while gathering it lifted the dry branch of a tree and uncovered a rattlesnake, which bit the eldest boy on the finger. The youth, feeling the venom entering his veins, called on the younger brother to cut off the injured member. The latter asked: "With what?"

"With this thin flat stone," replied the intrepid youth, picking up one and placing his finger on another flat one. The brother took the stone and hammered away, and after some time succeeded in mashing off the finger, thus saving the life of the heroic boy, who stood the horrible torture with great fortitude.

The greatest reformer of the age was the inventor of the bustle, which has re-formed nearly every woman.

## AN HONEST FARMER.

### How He Managed to Sell a Lot of Poor Wood at a Good Figure.

*From the Arkansaw Traveler.*

A woman was standing with her arms resting on the front gate when a squint-eyed old fellow, wearing the conventional habiliments of the pine hills and carrying an enormous ox whip came along and asked:

"Have you seen any thing uv er little bay steer round hyer?"

"No."

"Er steer with er white star in his forehead."

"No."

"Sorter limps with the left hind foot, but pretty peart taken altogether."

"I tell you no," the woman snapped.

"Fotch er load uv wood in this mornin' an' old Darb—that's the steer's name—got out uv the wagin yard an' cl'ared hisse'f. It's the steer I bought frum Ben Hardin' last fall—lean Ben. Yer know him, I reckon?"

"No, I don't."

"Wall, rest easy erbont it fur it ain't your fault, kase Ben gits acquainted with mighty nigh ever' woman he ken. I don't know wh'ar Ben got the steer, but that ain't none uv my bus'ness. Ain't seed him, have yer?"

"I tell you no!" the woman almost screamed.

"I don't know but he would er come up thiser way, fur thar ain't no tellin' whar he'll go when he gits a chance. Went over to old Jim McLanthem's place one day an' fe'l in the well. Don't know old Jim, do yer?"

"No, I don't, and more than that, I don't want to know him, nor you, either. Go on away from here."

"O, yer oughtenter talk thater way erbout old Jim. W'y, he's the man that diskivered the persimmon puddin'. Ain't seed nuthin' uv the steer, yer say?"

"If you don't go on away from here I'll call a policeman."

"O, don't put yerse'f ter no trouble on my ercount. I may be honerylookin', but I ain't no fool. I married the puttiest 'oman in all our neighborhood, an' when I 'eave home, I allus tells my wife that if I find a puttier 'oman than she is, that—wall, I never expected ter see one, that's all, but I have. Madam," taking off his yellow slouch hat and making a bow, "you air that lady."

"O, what an old fool you are!" the woman laughingly replied.

"Yes, madam, I am er fool; er fool erbout beauty, but not erbout nuthin' else. Some men air erfeerd ter tell er 'oman tha she's purty, but I ain't. Thar never wuz nuthin' cowardly erbout me. Ter tell yer the truth, I ain't lost no steer, but when I seed yer I had ter trump up some sort uv er yarn. I've got er co'd an' er half uv wood round here on er wagin that I'm goin' to sell, but sense I've been talkin' ter you I've forgot all erbout the wood. Yer'll uv cose excuse me fur talkin' ter yer so, fur I am er old man while you air young ernuff ter be my daughter. Yer'll pardon me, won't yer?"

"O, certainly. What do you ask for your wood?"

"You may have the co'd an' er ha'f fur five dollars."

"All right," the delighted woman replied. "Bring it around here and throw it over the fence."

He drove around, threw over a quarter of a cord of green pine poles, collected the five dollars, bowed to the woman and went away.

### The Cost of Heating the National Capitol.

*Wash. Letter to News and Courier.*

But few persons who are employed at the Capitol building, and still fewer, perhaps, of those who visit there, ever give a thought as to the means employed in heating that immense structure, or the amount of fuel consumed in bringing it up to the temperature required, besides the number of persons engaged in helping.

The amount of wood and coal daily consumed varies greatly, according to the state of the thermometer. On a day when the mercury falls to 25° in the tube is probably a fair test of weather. It is estimated that there are eight tons of coal used daily on the House side of the Capitol, exclusive of that used in the numerous grates and fire-places in the several committee rooms; eight on the Senate side increase the number of tons to sixteen. To supply the grates in the committee rooms there is probably one more ton used, thus making a total of seventeen tons. Besides this, there is a considerable quantity of the fine furnace wood used in starting fires in the furnaces under the engines—probably a cord per day.

There are two sets of furnaces and heating apparatus in operation in heating the Capitol—one on the Senate side and a similar one on the House side. At each of these places and with the various additional help required the number of employees in connection with this work reaches about twenty. Out of each one of these engineer centres there are probably one hundred and fifty valves opening into the registers in the rooms of the building.

There are eighty and more committee rooms in the Capitol, and when the temperature has fallen to a low degree there are at least five cords of wood used in these rooms each day; if the day be exceedingly cold and blustry when the wind penetrates into every corner, there is, of course, a great deal more burned. Estimating coal to be worth, at the lowest figure $5 per ton, the item of sixteen tons of coal will alone be about $85 or $90 per day; and sawed wood—the kind in use—for aiding in heating the rooms, to be worth $7 per cord, and that for furnace use at $5, the cost for this purpose in cold weather is enormous, amounting to nearly $150 per day.

In a month of cold weather this item would reach the figure of $3,750. The amount of money expended in lighting the, Capitol, when this is rendered necessary by the cloudy weather, is also large. The dome of the Capitol is also illuminated on the occasion of night sessions. This is done by means of fifty or more gas jets, forming a circle of about thirty-five feet, and can be seen for a long distance, although at a distance of less than a mile but one large jet is seen. It is said that the expense of lighting it is $60 per hour.

### Sticking to His Best Friend.

*From the Chicago Herald.*

"There is one thing about me," said the boastful passenger, "I always stick to my friends—I always stick to my friends through thick or thin."

"That's right," said the man in the next seat; "and by the way, Jim, do you happen to have a dollar about you?"

"Guess so."

"Loan it to me till next week?"

"Not much."

"Is that what you call sticking to your friends?"

"You bet it is. This dollar here is the best friend i've got in the world."

The epidemic of pugilism is calculated to make the weary newspaper reader wish that even the baseball season might come again.—*Philadelphia Times.*

## SOWING TOBACCO SEED.

### A Few Hints in regard to the Preparation of Plant Beds.

Now is the time for sowing tobacco seed, and those of our farmers who contemplate raising this weed should be about this work, and not delay it until almost time for transplanting in the spring. In beginning the culture of tobacco, all farmers not thoroughly skilled in its management are always ready to learn all they can that will be to their advantage. Capt. R. B. Davis, of Hickory, who is a successful planter and a practical man in every way, gives the following hints in regard to the preparation and care of plant beds:

To the planter an early and abundant supply of tobacco plants is a thing of prime importance. To secure this the seed may be planted any time between the 15th of December and 15th of March, the earlier the better, and allotting 100 square yards of seed-bed to every 10,000 plants that will be needed. The ground selected for the purpose should be virgin soil, of sandy texture, rich and moist, with full exposure to the sun, but sheltered to the north and west by rising ground or growing timber, against the cold winds of early spring. Such spots can readily be found in wooded hollows, at the foot of hills, and near to or alongside some water course. Other things being equal the farther in the woods the spot selected is the better in order to escape the ravages of the potato bug.

BURNING THE PLANT-BED

The ground having been well chosen, the next thing is to rake it cleanly, and then burn it thoroughly so as to kill all germs of vegetation. The burning can be at a single blast, if done with dry brush, heaped upon the entire bed a height of some four feet.

A better but costlier method is to burn with wood laid on green poles, which serve the purpose of ventilation, in case the wood should be piled the whole length of the bed, and of convenient width say six feet, and after the pile has been well kindled, it should be allowed to burn some two hours, or until the poles underneath are burnt up. The burning wood and fire coals should now be moved by using old hoes fastened upon long handles, and again spread a convenient width and fresh wood added, which should burn until the ground underneath has been burnt as thoroughly as before, and so on until the entire bed has been burnt over. So soon as the ground is cool enough to walk upon it, and without removing the ashes, it should be broken deeply and finely with the mattock, care being taken not to invert the soil, and then chop with weeding hoes raked until clean of roots and well pulverized—for which reason land should never be burnt when two wet.

SOWING THE SEED.

The bed is now ready for seeding. The variety of seed recommended is Yellow Orinoco. The quantity sown should be one and a half tablespoonfuls to every 100 square yards, and in that exact proportion for each fraction or multiple thereof. Great care should be taken to sow the seed as regularly as possible, so as to prevent some spots from being too thin, and, what is worse, other spots from being too thick. To do so the seed should be carefully measured and then thoroughly mixed in a convenient quantity of dry ashes, and the mixture divided into two equal parts. The bed should be marked off into convenient sowing bredths by lines four feet apart, and sowed entirely over with one half the seed in one direction, and then over again with the other half and in the opposite direction, the sower retraced his steps. The seed should be left upon the surface and neither hoed or raked into the soil, but trodden in with the foot, or pressed with the back of a weeding hoe, or better still, by passing a light roller over the bed. To prevent drifting or budding of the seed by washing rains, where the ground is rolling, trenches slightly inclined and two inches deep and four feet a part should be made with the mattock across the bed. Where the ground is flat and subject to being sobbed, it should be thoroughly drained as nothing draws more easily that the tobacco plant.

For the three-fold purpose of warmth moisture and fertility, the bed should now be top dressed with a covering half inch thick of good stable manure broken fine, the fresher the better, but in any case free from grass seed. When such stable manure is not convenient, then from the hen house or hog pen will answer, hog hair also making an excellent top dressing. If neither of those are at hand, some strongly ammonized fertilizer should be applied at the rate of half bushel of it to every 100 square yards, and raked into the soil before seeding. The bed should be thickly covered with fine brush to prevent both drying and freezing of the soil, by which the plants are either checked in their or lifted out by the roots.

## COTTON SEED MEAL.

### Its Composition and Value as a Fertilizer.

The most important but much neglected product of the Southern States, cotton seed, has become a leading subject of discussion in the agricultural journals of the South. The Charleston *News and Courier* thus discussing its value as a fertilizer, says:

Cotton seed meal is coming into general use among the farmers of the South for fertilizing purposes, as they learn it is a more effective manure than the whole seed. It used to be the custom to apply it alone to such crops as corn and cotton, but of late years it has become generally known that its effects are attained most advantageously when it is mixed with kainit and acid phosphate.

The meal contains nearly 9 per cent. of ammonia, but only 2½ of phosphoric acid and 2½ of potash; and therefore when acid phosphate, which contains 13½ per cent of phosphoric acid, and kainit, with 12 per cent. of potash, are added, it will be seen that a very powerful compound is formed. The usual proportions are 1,000 pounds of meal, 500 pounds of the acid phosphate, 500 pounds of kainit; and when mixed together the total cost of the mixture will be about $22 per ton.

It must be born in mind that the three chemical ingredients named are those that are especially valuable to crops, and must be contained in all manures that pretend to contain the requirements of plants. And the experience of cotton farmers has demonstrated that none of the guanos that are sold for even much higher prices can approach this compound in effective value.

The addition of a ton of stable manure forms, with the other three ingredience, the very best compost known in the South. This compost, which is practically what is known elsewhere as "Furman's formula," has been in use in South Carolina since 1877, but has been known in Georgia and the other States during the past five years only. It is simply in accordance with common sense to mix to gether in due proportions the materials that contain the elements needed by crops, and it is what any farmer can do for himself.

The meal is more valuable for manure than the whole seed, because it is more immediately available to the plants, and contains a larger per cent. of fertilizing matter in proportion to bulk. When the whole seed is used a considerable portion of it does not rot, but dries and shrivels, or rots so slowly that the growing crops fail to benefit by it. And in all cases the oil in the seed retards the rotting greatly, while this oil has in itself no manureal value whatever, but only represents so much value wasted when the whole seed is used.

In a ton of seed—about 64 bushels—there are about 35 gallons of oil, worth 35 cents per gallon; and, therefore, where whole seed is used, about $12.25 of actual value is thrown away; besides which, one ton of the whole seed is really not as effective as the 800 pounds of meal that could be obtained from it. Accurately, one ton of whole seed has really not an effective manureal value to the soil of $18.56, while the 800 pounds of meal that it contains have an effective value of $23.

## SUPERIOR COURTS.

### Spring Terms, 1887.

FIRST DISTRICT—JUDGE AVERY.

Hyde—February 7, 1 week; May 16, 1 week.
Beaufort—‡February 15, 2 weeks; May 30, 2 weeks.
Currituck—March 7, 1 week.
Camden—March 15, 1 week.
Pasquotank—March 21, 1 week; June 13, 1 week.
Perquimans—March 28, 1 week.
Chowan—April 4, 1 week; June 20, 1 week.
Gates—April 11, 1 week.
Hertford—April 18, 1 week; June 27, 1 week.
Washington—April 25, 1 week.
Tyrrell—May 2, 1 week.
Dare—May 9, 1 week.
Pamlico—May 23, 1 week.

SECOND DISTRICT—JUDGE SHIPP.

Halifax—‡January 10, 2 weeks; March 7, 2 weeks; May 16, 2 weeks.
Northampton—‡January 24, 2 weeks; April 4, 2 weeks; ‡June 13, 1 week.
Edgecombe—†February 7, 1 week; April 18, 2 weeks.
Craven—February 14, 2 weeks; May 30, 2 weeks.
Warren—March 21, 2 weeks.
Bertie—May 2, 2 weeks.

THIRD DISTRICT—JUDGE J. H. MERRIMON.

Pitt—January 10, 2 weeks; March 21, 2 weeks; June 13, 2 weeks.
Franklin—January 24, 1 week; June 6, 1 week.
Wilson—‡February 21, 2 weeks; ‡May 23, 2 weeks.
Vance—February 21, 2 weeks; May 23, 2 weeks.
Martin—March 7, 2 weeks.
Greene—April 4, 2 weeks.
Nash—May 2, 2 weeks.

FORTH DISTRICT—JUDGE SHEPHERD.

Wake—*January 10, 3 weeks; †February 28, 2 weeks; *March 28, 2 weeks; †April 25, 3 weeks.
Wayne—January 24, 2 weeks; March 14, 2 weeks; †April 18, 1 week.
Harnett—February 7, 1 week.
Johnston—February 14, 2 weeks.

FIFTH DISTRICT—JUDGE PHILLIPS.

Granville—January 31, 2 weeks; May 9, 2 weeks.
Chatham—February 14, 1 week; May 23, 1 week.
Guilford—February 21, 2 weeks; June 13, 1 week.
Alamance—March 7, 1 week; June 6, 1 week.
Durham—March 14, 2 weeks; May 30, 1 week.
Orange—March 28, 1 week.
Caswell—April 18, 2 weeks.
Person—May 2, 1 week.

SIXTH DISTRICT—JUDGE CONNOR.

New Hanover—January 24, 2 weeks; April 18, 2 weeks.
Lenoir—February 7, 1 week.
Duplin—February 14, 5 weeks.
Sampson—†February 28, 2 weeks; May 2, 1 week.
Pender—March 14, 1 week; May 9, 1 week.
Carteret—March 21, 1 week.
Jones—March 28, 1 week.
Onslow—April 4, 1 week.

SEVENTH DISTRICT—JUDGE CLARK.

Anson—*January 10, 1 week; †May 2, 1 week.
Columbus—January 17, 1 week; March 28, 1 week.
Cumberland—*January 24, 1 week; *March 14, 1 week; †May 9, 2 weeks.
Robeson—January 31, 2 weeks; May 23, 2 weeks.
Richmond—February 14, 2 weeks; June 6, 1 week.
Bladen—March 21, 1 week.
Brunswick—April 4, 1 week.
Moore—April 18, 2 weeks.

EIGHTH DISTRICT—JUDGE GILMER.

Cabarrus—‡January 31, 1 week; May 1, 1 week.
Iredell—February 7, 2 weeks; May 23, 2 weeks.
Rowan—February 21, 2 weeks; May 9, 2 weeks.
Davidson—March 7, 2 weeks; June 6, 1 week.
Randolph—March 21, 2 weeks.
Montgonery—April 4, 1 week.
Stanley—April 11, 1 week.

NINTH DISTRICT—JUDGE BOYKIN.

Rockingham—January 24, 2 weeks.
Forsyth—February 7, 2 weeks; May 23, 1 week.
Yadkin—February 21, 2 weeks.
Wilkes—March 7, 2 weeks; May 2, 1 week.
Alleghany—March 21, 2 weeks.
Davie—April 4, 1 week.
Stokes—April 18, 1 week.
Surry—April 25, 1 week.

TENTH DISTRICT—JUDGE MACRAE.

Henderson—February 14, 3 weeks.
Burke—March 7, 2 weeks.
Caldwell—March 21, 1 week.
Ashe—March 28, 1 week; May 30, 2 week.
Watauga—April 4, 1 week; June 6, 1 week.
Mitchell—April 18, 2 weeks.
Yancey—May 2, 2 weeks.
McDowell—May 16, 2 weeks.

ELEVENTH DISTRICT—JUDGE MONTGOMERY.

Alexander—January 24, 1 week; June 13, 1 week.
Catawba—January 31, 1 week; June 6, 1 week.
Union—*February 14, 1 week; †February 21, 1 week; *May 23, 1 week; ‡May 30, 1 week.
Mecklenburg—‡February 28, 3 weeks.
Gaston—March 21, 2 weeks.
Lincoln—April 4, 1 week.
Cleveland—April 11, 2 weeks.
Rutherford—April 25, 2 weeks.
Polk—May 9, 1 week.

TWELFTH DISTRICT—JUDGE GRAVES.

Madison—February 28, 2 weeks.
Buncombe—March 14, 3 weeks; June 20, 2 weeks.
Transylvania—April 4, 1 week.
Haywood—April 11, 2 weeks.
Jackson—April 25, 2 weeks.
Macon—May 9, 1 week.
Clay—May 16, 1 week.
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